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BULGARIA EXPANDS ELECTRIFICATION
YUGOSLAVIA INCREASES FUEL ALLOWANCE

BULGARIAN ELECTRIFICATION PLANS -- Rabotnichesko Delo, No 21, 28 Jan '49

The 1949 plan for electrification in Bulgaria calls for the construction of 15 electric-power plants, most of them to be finished by the end of the year. Six tunnels totaling over 4,000 meters in length are to be built to convey water to certain hydroelectric plants. Twenty percent more capital will be invested in construction in 1949 than in 1948.

During the year, machinery is to be installed in five hydroelectric-power plants and in six low-tension hydroelectric plants, so that most of them can begin to generate power during the second half of the year. Seven other hydroelectric plants will be completed and machinery partially installed. Installation will be completed in two steam-operated and in two Diesel-operated power plants. The installation plan for 1949 is 60 percent greater than the 1948 plan.

The plan provides for 1,945 kilometers of high-tension power line of 110, 60, 20, and 13 kilowatts. A power circuit will be completed from Kazdra to Cherven Bryag and from Kurlilo to Plovdiv. An additional 400 kilometers of new power line, to be finished in 1950, will be begun this year. The project will call for over 1,000 tons of copper wire and ferroaluminum cable.

Three hundred villages will be electrified by means of the low-tension net, which will be expanded for an additional 1,450 kilometers. Most of this will be set up in northern Bulgaria, where electric facilities are poorest, and primarily in cooperative villages. Thirty-three distributing stations and 500 transformer stations will be added to the low-tension net.

The new power facilities to be added during 1963 will increase existing facilities by more than 15 percent.

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